

Act of 1996). the State share for the fiscal year shall be an amount equal to the State share in fiscal year 1995.

(e) GAP PAYMENTS NOT SUBJECT TO DISTRIBUTION UNDER THIS SECTION.—At State option, this section shall not apply to any amount collected on behalf of a family as support by the State (and paid to the family in addition to the amount of assistance otherwise available to the family) pursuant to a plan approved under this part if such amount would have been paid to the family by the State under section 402(a)(28), as in effect and applied on the day before the date of the enactment of section 302 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. For purposes of subsection (d), the State share of such amount paid to the family shall be considered amounts which could be retained by the State if such payments were reported by the State as part of the State share of amounts collected in fiscal year 1995."

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 464(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 664(a)(1)) is amended by

striking "section 457(b)(4) or (d)(3)" and inserting "section 457".

(2) Section 454 (42 U.S.C. 654) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (11)—

(i) by striking "(11)" and inserting "(11)(A)"; and

(ii) by inserting after the semicolon "and"; and

(B) by redesignating paragraph (12) as

subparagraph

(B) of paragraph (11).

42 USC 657 note.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in

paragraph (2),

the amendments made by this section shall be effective on

October 1, 1996, or earlier at the State's option.

(2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The

amendments made by

subsection (b)(2) shall become effective on the

date of the enact-

ment of this Act.

SEC. 303. PRIVACY SAFEGUARDS.

(a) STATE PLAN REQUIREMENT.—Section 454 (42 U.S.C. 654).

as amended by section 301(b) of this Act, is amended—

(1) by striking "and" at the end of

paragraph (24);

by striking the period at the end of

paragraph (25)

and inserting "; and"; and

(4) by adding after paragraph (25) the

following new para-

graph:

"(26) will have in effect safeguards, applicable to all confidential information handled by the State

agency. that are
designed to protect the privacy rights of the
parties, including [REDACTED]

"(A) safeguards against unauthorized use
or disclosure
of information relating to proceedings or
actions to establish
paternity, or to establish or enforce support:

"(B) prohibitions against the release of
information
on the whereabouts of 1 party to another
party against
whom a protective order with respect to the
former party
has been entered; and

"(C) prohibitions against the release of
information
on the whereabouts of 1 party to another
party if the
State has reason to believe that the release of
the information
may result in physical or emotional harm
to the former
party." .